

## **07. ROLE OF PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL BODIES**

### **07.131: Role of Legislative Bodies – Enabling Legislation – Passage**

In 1975 the Montana Legislature amended Section **59-1602** of the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Act “to include Professional Instructors, Teachers and Paraprofessional Instructors employed by School Boards and Districts as Public Employees,” and repealed Sections 59-1608.1, 59-1608.2, and Sections 75-6115 through 75-6128 effective July 1, 1975. Nothing in the 1975 Act allows the Board of Personnel Appeals to nullify an exclusive representative recognition by a public employer when no question or representation exists, even though such recognition was gained under a prior law. **UD #19-75**